Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 12 Nov 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 13 Nov 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 11 Nov 2021 at 15:24 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high out to Monday, but low for cloud details on Friday, extent of drizzle on Sunday and timing of any more persistent rain. Lower confidence more generally for Tuesday, but likely to be turning more unsettled.

Headline for Friday 12 Nov 2021: Heavy rain in the morning. Low cloud and in the afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 12 Nov 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Fog	Fog	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
60%	40%	30%	80%	50%	30%	20%	10%

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Weather: Showery outbreaks of rain through the early hours. Persistent, occasionally heavy rain reaches Skye and the southwest of the area shortly before dawn, spreading to all ranges soon after dawn. Rain turns lighter and patchy by midday, with most hills dry but cloudy by late afternoon. Largely dry after dusk, the odd clear spell possible across the Cuillins and Knoydart.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% or less in the south of the area. 30-40% for hills north of Torridon in the morning, falling to 10% mid-afternoon.

Visibility: Poor throughout in the south. Cloud extensive above 400m, falling to low levels in the afternoon. Good in the north below the cloud, the main cloud base around 900-1000m, possibly lifting above the summits for a time, but occasionally lowering to 500-600m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	37/45 S	34/41 S	32/38 S	30/36 SE	15/20 SE	11/14 N	21/26 NW	18/23 NW	16/21 NW
900	34/42 S	31/38 S	29/35 S	27/33 SE	15/20 SE	10/13 N	20/25 NW	17/22 NW	16/20 NW
600	23/31 S	20/27 S	19/26 S	17/24 SE	11/16 SE	7/10 N	14/19 NW	12/16 NW	11/15 NW
300	6/30 S	3/24 S	5/26 SE	4/22 SE	7/14 E	3/10 N	8/21 NW	6/18 NW	6/17 NW
Glen	12/28 S	10/24 S	10/24 SE	12/26 SE	10/15 E	4/8 N	9/19 NW	6/14 NW	6/14 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	5/-2	3/-4	3/-4	3/-4	4/-1	4/1	3/-2	3/-2	3/-2
900	5/-1	4/-2	4/-3	4/-2	4/0	5/2	4/-1	4/-1	4/-1
600	8/3	6/2	6/1	6/2	7/4	7/5	6/2	6/3	6/3
300	9/8	8/7	8/7	8/7	8/7	9/8	8/6	8/6	8/6
Glen	12/9	10/8	10/8	10/8	11/9	11/11	10/9	10/9	10/8
Freezing Level*	1800m	1500m	1500m	1700m	1800m	1900m	1700m	1600m	1600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Fresh winds in the morning combined with heavy rain will give a significant wind chill. Winds falling light and variable in the north from midday, but west 15-20 mph in the south.

Forecast for Saturday 13 Nov 2021

Weather: Low cloud thins through the early hours. Cloud then clearing at munro level from the south around dawn, giving a dry sunny day on the tops, but some patchy cloud persisting on the lower slopes, mainly in the west. Extensive low cloud spreads into the west coast through the evening, bringing some patchy rain.

Maximum wind: Northwest 10 mph, gusting 15 mph early morning. South then Southeast 10 mph from late morning.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70%. Falling to 10% or less nil in the west coast late evening.

Visibility: Generally very good through daylight hours. Patchy cloud with bases around 500-600m, mainly in the west, but tops above 900-1000m likely to be above the cloud. More extensive cloud spreads into the west coast in the evening, initially above 500m, but soon falling to 300m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 Celsius rising to 9 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius rising to 7 Celsius late evening
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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